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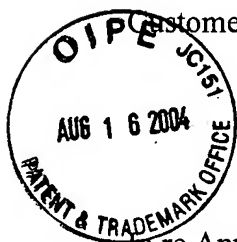
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In re Application of: Harding et al.

Serial No.: 10/002,399

Art Unit: 1623

Confirmation No.: 1039

Filed: October 31, 2001

Examiner: D. Khare

**For: CELLULOSE ETHERS AND METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME**

**AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the April 16, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper